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- 1. LIST OF NEW DEPUTIES TO USSR SUPREME SOVIET PUBLISHED IN CENTRAL PRESS. ALL MINISTERS RE-ELECTED EXCEPT CULTURE MINISTER FURTSEVA. CHAIRMAN A.P. VOLKOV OF STATE COMMITTEE FOR LABOR AND WAGES AND CHAIRMAN V.K. SITNIN OF STATE COMMITTEE FOR PRICES NOT RE-ELECTED AS DEPUTIES. SINCE OTHER MEMBERS ARE DEPUTIES, THIS SUGGESTS THAT ABOVE THREE MAY BE DROPPED AT FIRST SESSION OF USSR SUPREME SOVIET.
- 2. FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER PATOLICHEV AND CHAIRMAN S.A. SKACHKOV OF STATE COMMITTEE FOR FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS WERE RE-ELECTED. THIS SUGGESTS THAT PATOLICHEV MAY BE RETIRED WITH HONOR IF PHYSICAL INCAPACITY FORCES HIM TO DO SO AND LONG-RUMORED RESTRUCTURING OF FOREIGN TRADE APPARATUS MAY NOT AFFECT SKACHKOV SERIOUSLY.
- 3. A.G. YEGOROV, NEW DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTE OF MARXISM-LENINISM, WAS GIVEN DEPUTY STATUS, AND FORMER IML DIRECTOR P.N. FEDOSEYEV RETAINS HIS SET BY VIRTUE OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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HIS STANDING AS VICE PRESIDENT OF ACADEMY OF SCIENCES.

- 4. FORMER DIRECTOR OF GIDROMET, YE. K. FEDOROV, RETAINS HIS SEAT ALTHOUGH NOW ONLY DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTE OF APPLIED GEOPHYSICS UNDER GIDROMET. HIS SUCCESSOR AS GIDROMET CHIEF, YU. A. IZRAEL', WAS NOT ELECTED A DEPUTY.
- 5. COMMENT: IN VIEW OF RECENT OBFUSCATION BY SOVIET SOURCES ON FURTSEVA STORY, WE EXPECT TO HEAR MORE FANCIFUL EXPLANATIONS IN NEAR FUTURE. STOESSEL

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